

# 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY FIRE

*Developed with input from firefighters and neighborhood residents, Mayor Jerry Abramson's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Fire Plan is a long-range, multi-million-dollar investment in modernizing the Louisville Fire Department to improve response times and enhance service. The mayor's 2006/07 budget will include funding to begin the plan's four-year, \$17.5 million first phase.*

## **PHASE I: 2006-2009**

### **A. Replace three of the city's oldest fire stations with new, modern stations in the neighborhood**

- Beechmont (Engine 10, Truck 8) – 501 W. Ashland Ave., built in 1926.
- Clifton (Telesqurt 21) – 1761 Frankfort Ave., built in 1891.
- Portland (Engine 6) – 2425 Portland Ave., built in 1903.

The mayor's proposed budget will include \$1.2 million for land acquisition and preliminary design work. New stations will be open by 2009, and existing stations will continue operation until new stations open.

### **B. Accelerate vehicle-replacement schedule, replacing 17 of the department's 28 front-line fire trucks**

The mayor's proposed budget will include \$1.8 million for fire-truck replacement. \$3 million is currently funded with the first vehicles entering into service beginning in July.

### **C. Continue maintenance of existing fire stations**

\$1 million has been invested in the past year in 60 projects to repair and refurbish 13 existing fire stations. The mayor's proposed and future budgets will continue to fund ongoing maintenance of fire stations.

### **D. Upgrade data monitoring to guide future deployment decisions**

The Fire Department has begun extensive tracking of response times, including dispatch time, turnout time, travel time and vertical response time. MetroSafe CAD in place in mid-2006 and Fire Department Deccan software currently operational.

## **PHASE II: 2010-2014**

A. Recommend and fund needed deployment changes based on new data and development in the city's urban core. The impact of current city development such as Museum Plaza, Liberty Green, a downtown arena, the bridges project, downtown housing growth and others to be considered.

B. Continue accelerated vehicle replacement.

C. Continue to invest in maintenance of fire stations.

## **PHASE I – TOTAL PROJECTED COST, 2006-2009**

### **New Fire Stations (3)**

Land Acquisition / initial design	\$ 1,200,000
Construction	\$ 4,500,000
Furnishings	\$ 450,000

### **Vehicle Replacement**

2006	
Engine 10, Truck 2, Hazmat 1, Hazmat 5, Truck 8	\$ 3,000,000*
2007	
Engine 11, Rescue 2, pumper TBD, fleet vehicles	\$ 1,800,000
2008-2009	
Engine 7, Telesqurt 23, Quint 10, Quint 5, Engine 6, Truck 1, Engine 2, Engine 22, Quint 9, fleet vehicles	\$ 6,600,000

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<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$17.5 million</b>
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\* Currently funded, first new fire trucks in service July 2006.